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Flankerback Bob Biddy throws a key block as John Betham heads for a touchdown.

## BYU gridders route Cowboys, get ready for UTEP's Miners

By VERN ANDERSON  
*Universe Managing Editor*

Maybe it was the Homecoming crowd or the perfect football weather or just the law of averages, but whatever the reason, BYU's football team mauled a very fine Wyoming grid contingent, 38-7, Saturday and in the words of at least a dozen of the BYU players, "finally put it all together."

The Cougar gridders are scheduled to take on a vastly improved Miner squad from UTEP this Saturday at 1:30 in Cougar Stadium. What might have been before the Wyoming victory an indifferent battle of the have-nots, now becomes a league game of great importance, BYU having yet to lose a league game. The game might also answer the question of whether the resurgent Cougars are the genuine article or will revert to an early season form that showed flashes of promise and little else.

The only thing that kept Saturday's triumph from being a complete one was the knowledge that BYU's All-American split end, Jay Miller, would be lost for the remainder of the season recovering from post-game knee surgery. Miller, playing his first game of the season following a broken shoulder that had sidelined him for four games, caught two passes with typical exuberance before torn cartilage caused his knee to collapse.

According to BYU Head Coach LaVell Edwards, Miller will probably be granted hardship status, as the Wyoming game was his first of the year, allowing the brilliant Cougar receiver to retain an extra year of eligibility.

But the injury to Miller might not hurt the Cougars too much if

some of the receivers that showed outstanding promise in the Wyoming game continue to improve, notably freshmen Jeff Nilsson and Kirk Tanner, who caught four passes Saturday.

The heroes in the game were more than forty yards each and caught four passes, two for many. Quarterback Gary Sheide had one of the better games of his career, passing for 263 yards on 20 completions out of 28 attempts, no interceptions and two look-alike strikes to John Betham for touchdowns.

Sheide mixed his plays well, blending a rushing attack that gained 120 yards, Jeff Blanc accounting for 74, with a wide assortment of passes, including a number of screens, to keep the Cowboy defense pretty much of its heels.

Whatever flanker John Betham had for breakfast Saturday morning should probably be sold by prescription only. The Torrance Calif. speedster accounted for two punt returns of more than forty yards each and caught four passes, two for touchdowns.

Even the lopsided final score does not begin to tell just how completely the Cougars dominated the contest. The BYU defense was awesome, allowing the Cowboys only two first downs and three yards total offense in the entire second half. This was the same Wyoming team that a week earlier had only grudgingly succumbed to Arizona State, fumbling away several opportunities for victory.



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At first glance the referee appears to be running interference as Mark Giles heads for the goal post.



Photo by Paul Fletcher  
Split end Jay Miller, whose shoulder injury kept him out of the first four games of the season, grimaces in agony as team staff members tape his injured knee.



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The Cougarettes kick up their heels in a swinging 'fifties' halftime show.



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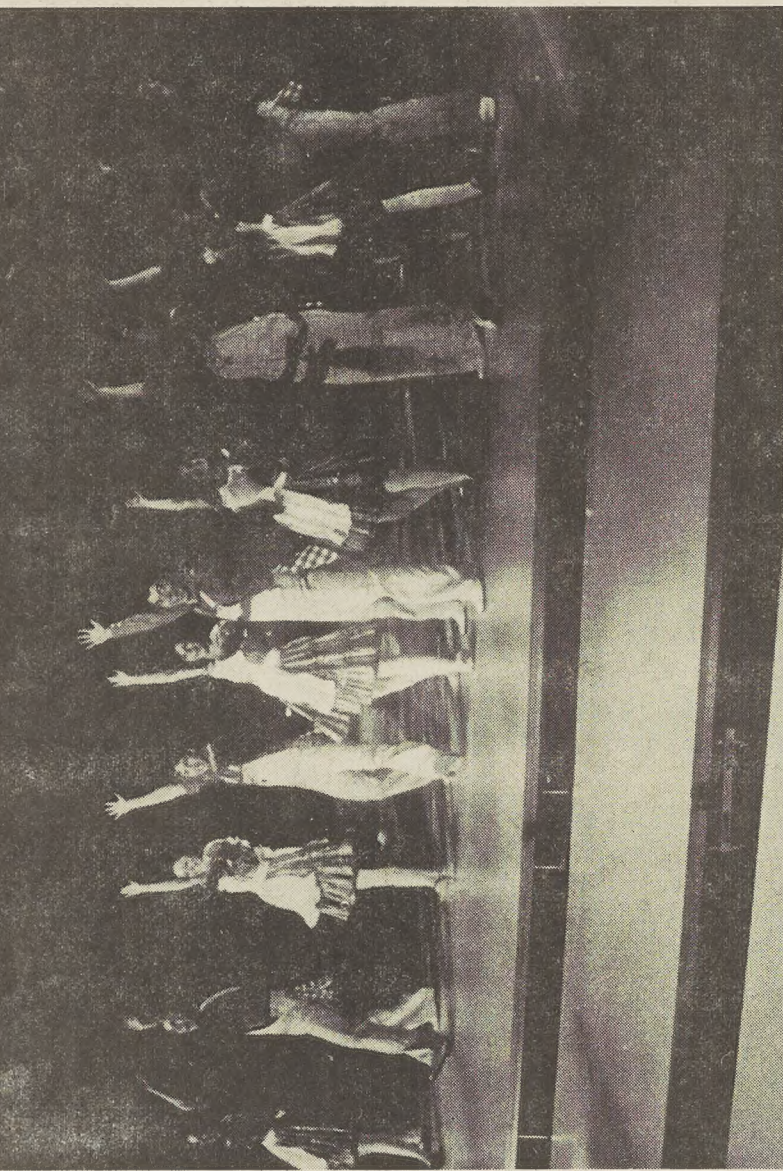


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The Frolics, an annual Homecoming extravaganza, provides a showcase for BYU's talented groups and is as much a part of Homecoming as the football game.

# Homecoming '74

Homecoming '74 marked the last year in a century of BYU history. It is a time when, like Tevye and Golda, we cling to our traditions in a stormy sea.

Tricycle races, ice cream eating contests, the Frolics and parade, are all rather new innovations but they steadfastly point to the same mood - we remember our past, we become spirited, we remember and honor our alma mater.

There are many who would just as soon abolish the traditions of Homecoming as foolish and wasteful, but Homecoming is an investment in memories, which may seem foolish now but which are invaluable in later years.

Photo by Larry Keller

Rick Moore, ice cream eating champion, may be wondering whether it was all worth it.



Photo by Golda Bittell

Fun for a gag or race, for most, the trike will never replace the rod.

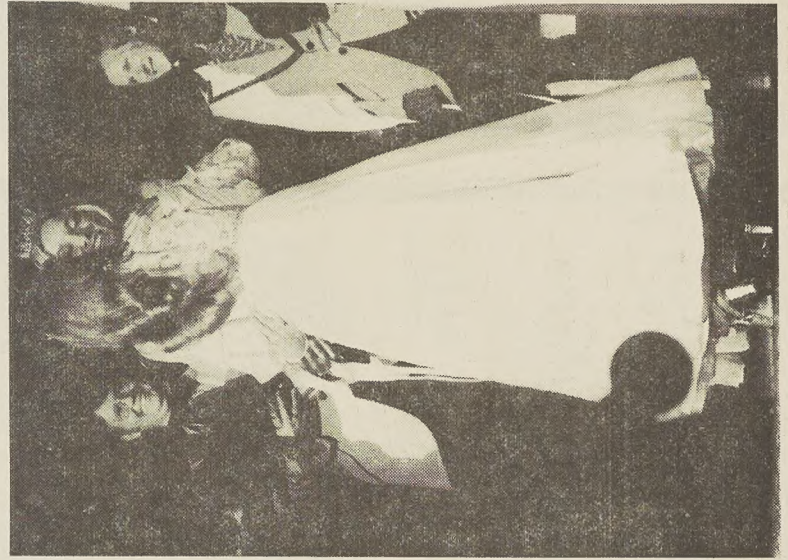


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Shelley Hatch, 1973 Homecoming queen, hugs Sandi Smith after she was crowned at the Wednesday concert.

Photo by Mark Philbrick

A handshake with President Oaks is a high honor and this homecoming clown rose to the occasion.

Photo by Paul Fletcher

Homecoming is a time for reminiscing and pride as shown by this Indian couple dressed in their full regalia.



# A Business Bureau for Provo?

By BILL BIGHAUS  
Monday Magazine Writer

Joe, a student at BYU, had to get part of his car engine fixed so he phoned up an automotive shop here in Provo and asked the manager how much it would cost. The manager told Joe that the job would run about \$20.

Joe took his car to the shop where the manager told him the repairs would cost about \$30 instead. Joe felt something was wrong and thought he might be getting cheated by the shop.

Joe's troubles were confirmed when he could pick his car up. The car was ready and so was the bill for the job which read \$40. Joe knew something was indeed wrong. He wondered why the price on the phone was \$20 and at the shop the same work described over the phone cost \$40.

Betty bought a cassette tape recorder from a department store in this area. It was defective so she took the recorder back to the store while it was still covered by the warranty. The store said they

**"We don't really have the time to spend on consumer affairs."**

would send it to Salt Lake for repair. When she went back to the store, they handed the recorder back to her and told her it was not covered by the warranty. Betty didn't want to fight with the store over the recorder, so she took it down to an electronics store to have it repaired. The cost of the repair was almost \$15.

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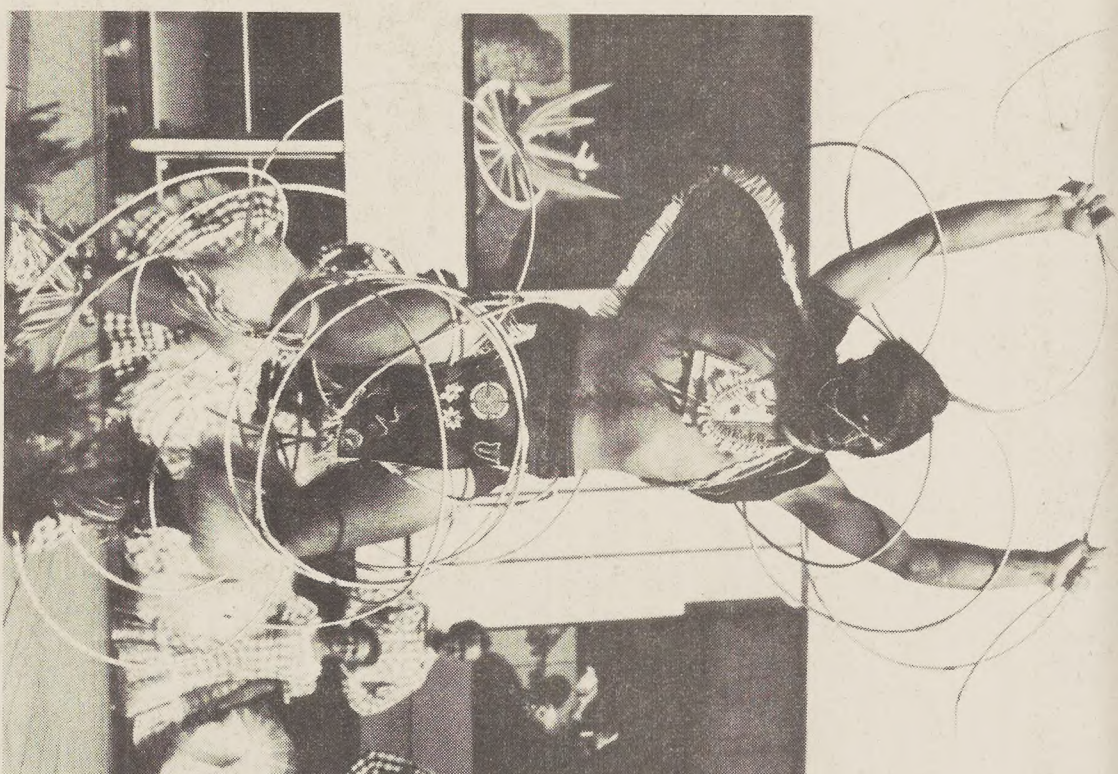
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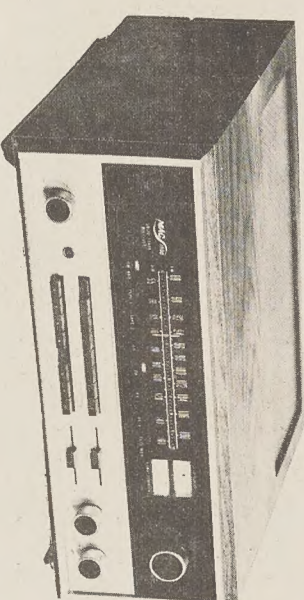


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## Folkdancers

was over miles of winding mountain roads. The Israelis were so frightened at the prospect of an ambush that they asked the American group to wait and escort them back to Rodez. The Americans were willing to oblige. Along with two French police vehicles, the three hour trip was begun.

At each turn of the road the tension mounted in the BYU bus until Larry Beaudin shouted, "Does anybody know any Arab songs?" Everyone got into the act of making up the wildest joke until they realized they were back in Rodez safe and sound.

The Israelis and Americans became really close in France. When the Americans left to go to London, the Israelis invited them up to their room for a farewell party. Songs were sung, refreshments served and many tears were shed. Terry Brown, a musician from Provo, said that "farewell party was the essence of what the tour was." He said that he had "the most beautiful feeling at that party."

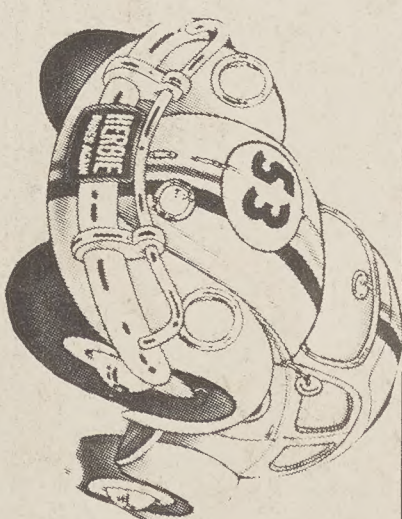
Terry who played banjo for the dancers said that one of the most unusual things about performing with the dancers was that they received no harassment from any of the audiences. As a matter of fact, said Terry, one town was so enthralled with a parade we did, that they wanted to give us the town's wine of honor. "We had to tactfully explain our standards to the townspeople, and when they understood, they gave us soda pop instead," he said.

**Work and Comedy together**  
Funny situations occurred constantly on tour. For instance the time in Brussels when the stage fell apart and dancers kept disappearing through holes in the floor, or when the shoeshine

One of the funniest incidents occurred in a little town in Switzerland, called Yverdon. The dancers were supposed to parade through town, but were given no instructions on where to go. Nancy Brown, the flag carrier, led the entire group, doing the Salty Dog Rag, through alleys and side streets, and finally around a set of gasoline pumps. She didn't even bat an eye.

"It was the spirit of the gospel that carried the shows through," said Vickie Scholes said. "We were able to get to know the people you hear about, and find that they're special people who are kind and loving."

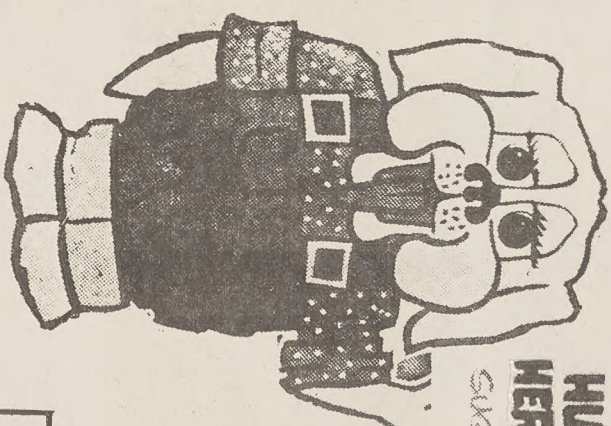
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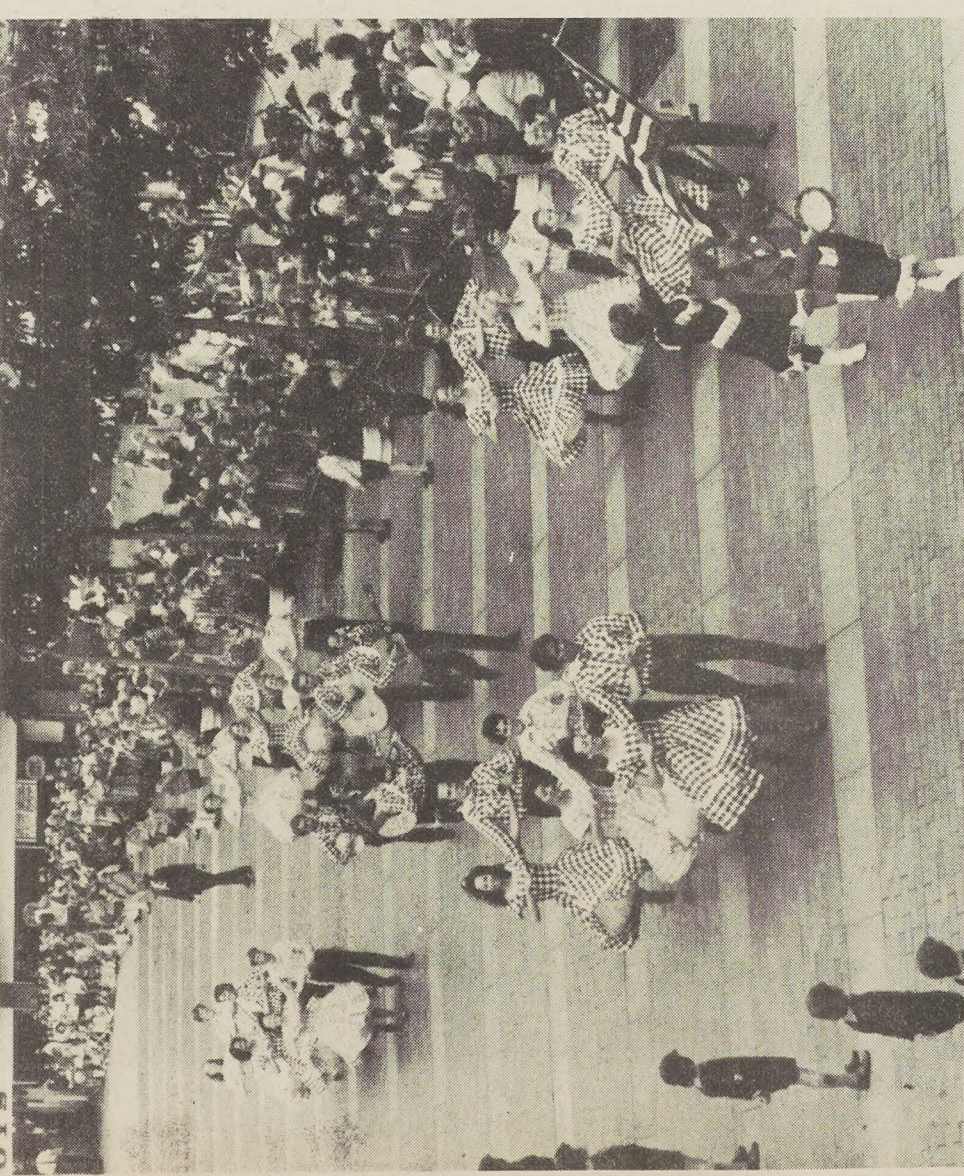
By DENNIS CAMBRIDGE  
*Monday Magazine Writer*

The British Airways Jumbo Jet was cruising at 30,000 feet late on the night of July 8, 1974, when one of the four jet engines suddenly conked out. Most passengers on board didn't realize what had happened when they heard the thump and felt an ominous shudder.

A short time later, the captain

announced to the passengers that an engine had quit and that an emergency landing would have to be made at Kennedy International Airport in New York. What the captain failed to mention was that another of the four engines had failed shortly after the first one went out.

An hour of quiet nervousness followed as the plane was turned away from it's London destination and toward New passengers on board.



The Folkdancers staged several parades through the small towns and villages of Europe, enthralling one French town so much they were offered the town's wine of honor.

to know the other tour members and getting to know and understand people from other lands, said Dale Smith, a sociology major, and tour member from Draper, Utah. Association with kids from other countries and trying to reach over cultural gaps was an experience Dale said he would never forget.

Sharing the gospel was another important part of the tour for Dale. People were really receptive, he said. After being told about the ideals of the church were something that he always believed in but had never found a church that incorporated those ideals.

Dancers put in long day associated with a performing tour. Sometimes the dancers would perform up to three and four times a day. A typical day in southern France went something like this. The dancers would get up early after doing a show that had lasted until 3 a.m. the night before. The bus would have to be packed, then the dancers would board and travel all day to their next destination. When they arrived they would have to do a show that could last anywhere from 20 minutes to two hours. The next morning they would get up and do a series of parades in neighboring towns. After lunch an afternoon show would be performed and after dinner another show would be given. At 3 a.m., the dancers would crawl into bed so that they would be ready for the next days travel to a new location.

But sleep was not in the cards for these weary performers. No sooner would their heads hit the pillows than the Russians, the Czechs, the Israelis, or all three, would come storming into the room ready for a party. The Americans wouldn't want to be unsociable, so they joined right in.

Nancy Brown, one of the musicians, recalls many of the funny experiences that made the tour memorable. "The time Lark kicked her slips off twice in one show," or the time "Sally fell off the stage when she took a wrong step," Nancy recalls that one time in Munich, it was raining so hard that "everyone wore their laundry bags." "The funny incidents are the only thing that kept me going," she said.

Nancy said that what you "put into a trip like this is what you get out of it." No matter how hard you try "you can never soak in as much as you want."

**Terrorists spotted**  
 The night of President Nixon's resignation speech, the folkdancers were performing in a little town near Rodez, France. President Nixon's speech was not the only interesting thing going on that night. The Americans were performing with several other dance groups from different countries, when the Israeli's saw five Arab terrorists in the audience. The French police were called immediately and three of the Arabs were identified as terrorists. The other two Arabs disappeared.

The trip to Rodez that night (Continued on next page)

As soon as it was discovered that they would be stuck there for quite some time, a special group of kids swung into action entertaining the other passengers. The group sang songs, Ted Ashton played violin accompanied by Terry Brown on banjo, and Oscar Amezcua sang Mexican songs.

**Heavenly Father was watching**  
 This group was the American Folkdancers from BYU, starting their 10th tour of Europe. Lark Gibby, a tour member from Orem, wrote this about the incident, "if our engine went out and our brakes stuck while landing, it could have tipped the plane over. I know that Heavenly Father is watching over this tour."

After rehearsing for an entire semester, sometimes as much as 14 hours a day, 25 dancers, six musicians, and three directors and chaperones were on their way to Europe for seven weeks of excitement, hardships, and rewarding experiences.

Traveling through Italy, Austria, Germany, Switzerland, France, Belgium, England, and Scotland, the dancers performed before millions of people.

In over 43 performances the dancers performed before almost 60,000 people while on stage, 165,000 people while in parades, and before an estimated 188 million on radio and television.

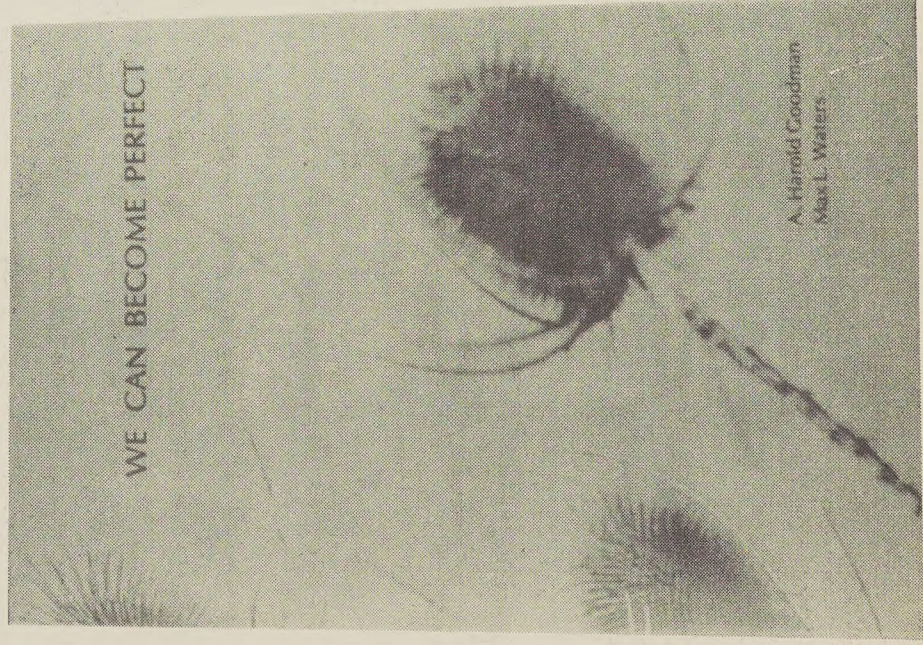
Phillip T. Conroy, director of the Billingham, England International Folklore Festival, said of the BYU dancers. "The group was undoubtedly the best you have ever had in Europe and we were all delighted at the performance you gave." He went on to say that it was amazing the way the performers "maintained its effort over the eight days of the event."

Despite the accolades, the best part of the tour was getting

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received after he bought an item. A close runner-up is in the area of warranties and guaranties on parts if something does go wrong. "There are not that many quality complaints in this area," Bullock stated.

Two hundred complaints may not seem like a lot but Bullock says the Chamber of Commerce would welcome a BBB. "We don't really have the time to spend on consumer affairs," he said.

Henrie says even though it would reduce the size of his staff on campus, they would welcome a Better Business Bureau in this area because "we do not see the BBB as a part of the Ombudsman Office. The only reason we got involved is that so many people came to us with consumer problems." The Ombudsmen, according to the Henrie, try to devote himself to "university-related problems and really nothing more."

Bullock said one of the first problems of obtaining a BBB is funding and a favorable reaction from local businessmen. Another major step is approval from the City Commission. Bullock said the Chamber of Commerce is looking into the procedures involved in setting up a BBB and is now in the preliminary stages. A Business District Committee has been established and will look into the mechanics of a BBB. If we do get a bureau in this area I would like it to be a Utah County Better Business Bureau, handling problems in Provo-Orem and other surrounding cities, said Bullock.

When first approached on a consumer problem, Henrie said his office first contacts the business and checks to see what the problem is. The office acts as a mediator between the consumer and the business until they come to an agreement. If no agreement is reached, legal action may be recommended but the Ombudsman himself could not supply the legal force.

Bullock says the Chamber of Commerce first contacts the merchant involved by telephone, letter or both to check the problem. He urges consumers to bring their problems to the attention of the business itself first, and if they still feel cheated to contact them.

The Provo Chamber of Commerce, according to Bullock, just deals with merchants in Provo and does not have jurisdiction in surrounding areas.

Nationally, the 140 Better Business Bureaus throughout the United States and Canada and in the major cities of Mexico, Puerto Rico, Venezuela and Israel have 3.5 million to 4.5 million people request BBB services annually. This includes 2.5 million inquiries about a business' reputation, 600,000 customer relations questions and about 900,000 complaints on products purchased.

Henrie said when you contact the BBB about a business, they will tell you the company's address, length of time in the business, and the name of the owner. They will also reveal how well the business meets BBB standards, if there are any complaints on record and if the complaints have been settled satisfactorily.

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does not go out like the BBB to investigate and get background information on each business. Like the Ombudsman and the Chamber of Commerce, a BBB by local businesses, one of the major points in gaining a BBB is getting favorable reactions and financial support from local businessmen.

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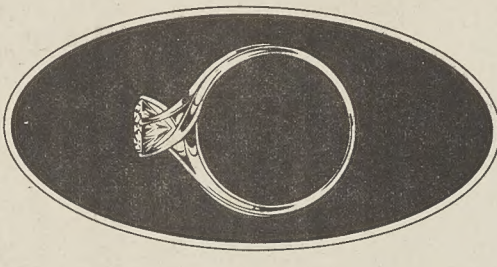
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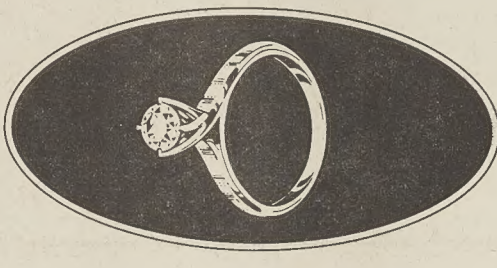
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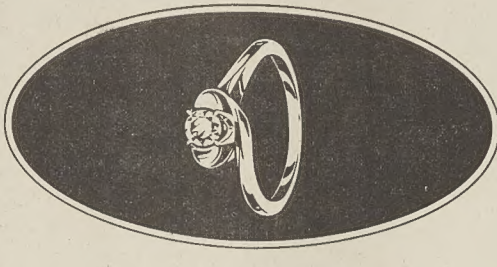
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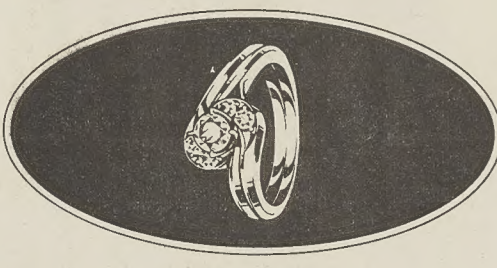
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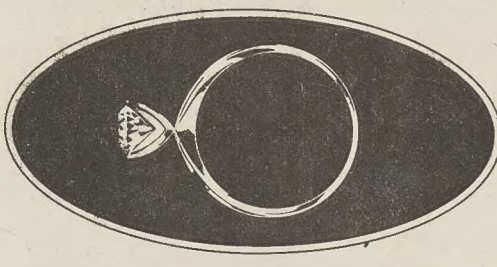
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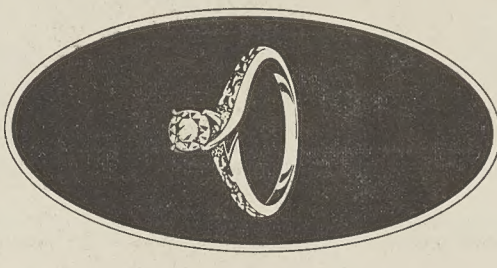
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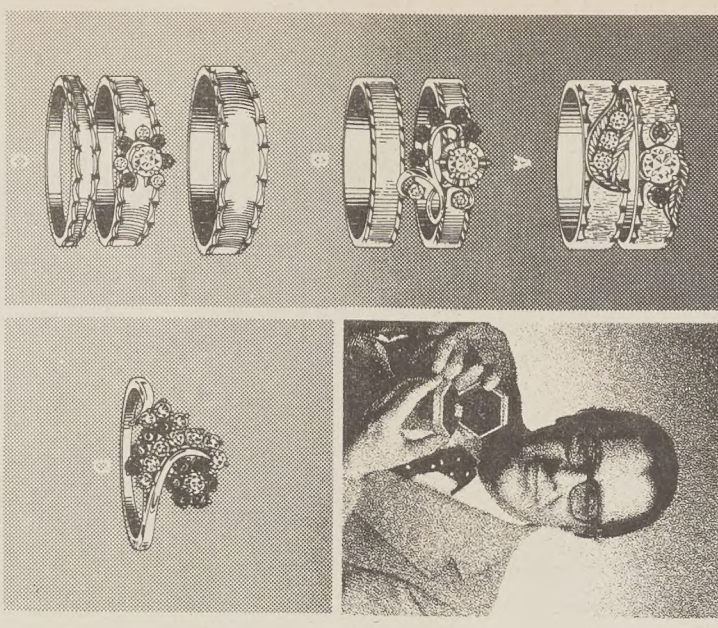




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## Newspaper boy might be most exploited businessman

By JOHN WESTWOOD  
Monday Magazine Writer

Dave Riley is a businessman. He buys his product at a wholesale price and sells it to his customer at a retail price to make profit. He is conscientious and concerned about running his business in a professional manner. Dave is a newspaper boy.

Like most newsboys, Dave is young and naive in business ventures. And, as a result, he is sometimes exploited. Despite his honest efforts to make money, he often loses out. Riley starts his collections on the 25th of each month, beating the pavement and finding few customers home and ready to pay. "Sorry, I don't have the money right now," claims one lady. "Could you come back at a more convenient time?" asks another.

Even when Dave has enough money to pay his bill, his job is only half done. He must still return to all the delinquent accounts and listen to more excuses. Then, if a customer moves without paying him, he must take the loss.

Ever since Benjamin Harris published America's first newspaper, in 1690, the newsboy has been the most ripped-off and exploited merchant in the free enterprise system. The fault does not lie with the newspapers per se, rather with the nature of the job. The newsboy is asked to deliver his product on time with machine-like consistency and then collect from transient customers, keeping track of payments and profits.

If Dick happens to miss someone in his haste, a delivery charge of 50 cents is attached to his bill the following month. No allowance or bonus is paid the boy for the extra hours he spends waiting for late papers.

Because the newsboy is an indentured merchant and responsible for his own mistakes, he must reimburse the customer for any damage that is attributed to his carelessness.

For example, Jeff Cram, a newsboy from Salt Lake City over-shot the porch of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hawkins and put the paper through their window. The newspaper company refused to take the responsibility for this oversight, thus, Jeff footed the bill. Because of the monetary risk involved in porching the papers, Jeff stopped doing so. He felt the risk outweighed the importance of porch delivery. Besides, Jeff did not want to suffer another financial loss should he hit another window pane.

But many customers opposed this delivery and insisted the paper be put on the porch. Many called Jeff's supervisor and insisted on a restitution. Afraid of losing his job, Jeff began to porch all his papers.

Being subject to error, Jeff now lives in constant fear of breaking another window.

The newsboy is not employed by the newspaper company as such, but is an independent merchant, hence he is required to pay for his own supplies such as rubber bands, paper bags, bicycle baskets, and plastic bags for wet and rainy days. All businesses have to pay for their own supplies, but they also have the option when and when not to use them. The newsboy does not.

Within the average month the newsboy spends from 10 to 20 per cent of his profit on supplies. Newspaper companies may be inconvenienced by having to carry these supplies, but they get all of their investment back by charging the newsboy. The carrier receives no compensation for any of the supplies he needs to deliver the route in a professional manner. The carrier is caught again in a precarious position.

All is not bad. The newsboy does have days when everything seems to go just right. The boy leaves school and goes to the corner, picks up his papers, puts them in his bag, and proceeds on his route without delay.

But good days are the exception, not the rule. There are days when the newsboy realizes that he is five papers short due to a miscount by the truck driver. The standard operating procedure in this situation is to run home, call the company, and request five papers be delivered to his home.

Many times the newspaper company is deluged with similar requests and take several hours to fulfill the order. Meanwhile the boy must wait until the papers are delivered to his home before he continues any plans he might have had for the evening. If the boy can't wait, he might receive five misses and be charged 50 cents for each.

Since 1950 every large corporation or government funded industry in America have improved conditions and wages for employees. In 1950 the average newspaper company was paying their boys between 25 cents and 35 cents per customer. Today they pay between 75 cents

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nothing else than effectively mirror Mormon thought, its publication is justified.

By its own admission, Studies is "a serious venture into the study of the correlation of revealed and discovered truth." True—it is a venture, but the edge often goes to revealed truth. Perhaps, it is the plight of the Mormon scholar that revealed truth presents an effective short-cut. Thus, the scholar is less likely to engage in intellectual grappling.

John Milton's idea of telling truth and falsehood grapple is not the idea of BYU Studies. Revealed truth enters the ring with the advantage—falsehood has its hands tied.

But despite this drawback, Studies is worth reading. Arrington sees the publication as a means to a new intellectual image for the Church: "This creative explosion is alive—we are in a most remarkable period in the cultural history of the Church. . . . We are achieving national and international stature in (scholarly) and creative arts."

Studies may represent an explosion, but it's no atomic bomb. Right now there is just enough promotional powder to pop the publication across campus. But with increased publicity and insistence on quality writing and scholarship, BYU Studies could conceivably up the intellectual image of the university to a new level.

## Story behind the story

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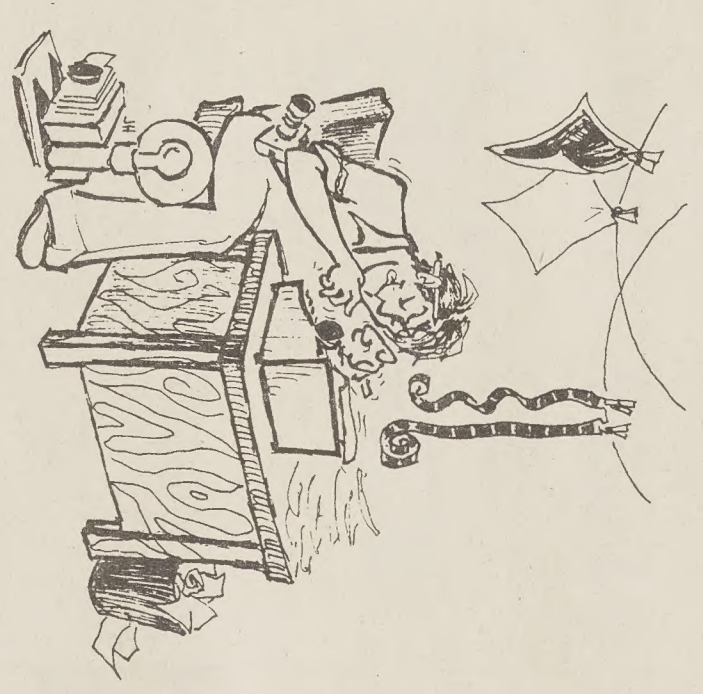
Newspapers and magazines can afford to go more in-depth on subjects than radio," Patti began talking to individual ranchers through the Woolgrowers Association and the Fish and Game Department in Salt Lake City. From these interviews Patti began to wonder why sheep ranchers even stayed in business.

"The risk and losses are so high," she said. "And no one I talked to could answer it either."

One couple Patti knows raises sheep as a sideline but, she says, it still keeps the husband away all during the week. "I can see that the work would let you get close

to nature, which is nice, but I wouldn't want to do it," she said. Patti wanted to actually get out on the range but she probably wouldn't have seen anything that looked like a coyote. One rancher, reporting high losses from coyotes, said he had not actually seen a coyote for over 20 years.

Though Patti is now able to see both sides of the question, she maintains that there is no easy answer. "I can see where the ranchers would want to kill all coyotes, but that's just what they would do, eradicate an entire animal species; but ranchers have a right to make a living too."



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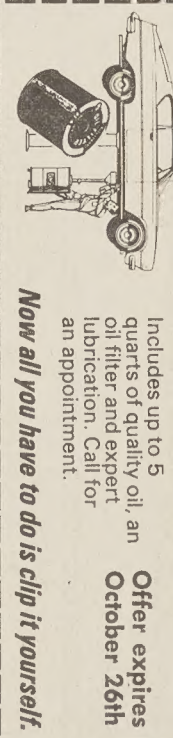
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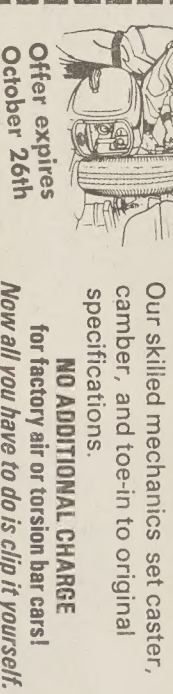


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# may be dogs too

By MARTHA BULLOCK  
Monday Magazine Writer

Two BYU coeds agree that dogs can be a girl's best friend . . .

Brenda Sinclair, a Junior from Dublin, Calif., cuddles her three-month old pup named Dinkus V. Poop (the "V" stands for vicious) and says, "He's the only pup that's seen 'King Lear' three times."

Brenda, a drama student, takes Dinkus to class with her. "As long as my teachers don't mind, and so far nobody seems to mind."

Cute little Dinkus has made a real hit with the drama students. "He's the drama students' mascot," says Brenda. "And my religion teacher put Dinkus on the class roll."

Brenda bought Dinkus for \$10 at an animal shelter in California. "He wasn't well treated," reports Brenda. "His stomach was bloated

from malnutrition."

Peggy Willardson, a blind student from Houston, Tex., finds her eyes in a beautiful yellow Labrador named Kimba. "She's really obedient and smart," says Peggy. "Yesterday she got me all the way to school and home without making a single mistake."

Kimba was trained by Seeing Eye, Inc. in New Jersey, and then instructors trained Peggy and Kimba together for three months. "One day I got lost and Kimba took me home. . . she knew right where we were."

"BYU was not made for blind people," says Peggy. "I find it difficult to get around with all these paths that wind and go every which way." Peggy tells of once when she and Kimba took a 45-degree turn at a sidewalk intersection instead of a 90-degree turn and got completely lost.

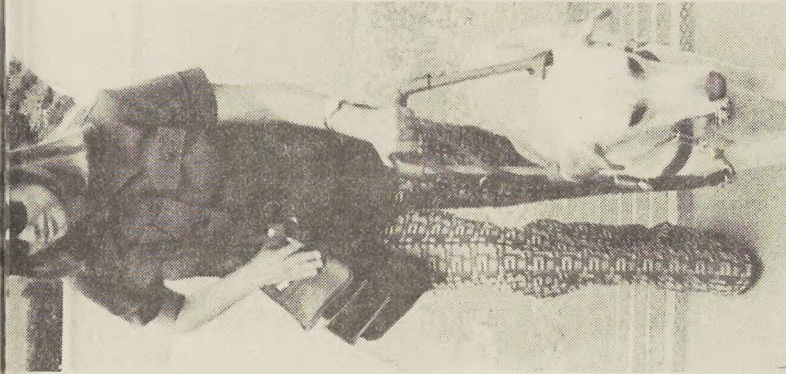
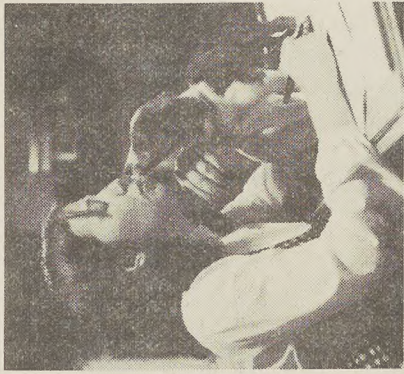


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Kimba and Peggy



Homework is fine, there's a time and place for everything . . .



. . . but now it's time for Dinkus.



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Dinkus V. Poop lies quietly in Brenda's arms during the lecture. As the drama students' mascot, he often finds himself obligated to attend classes.

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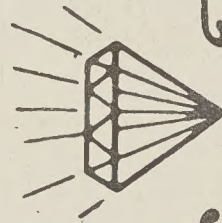
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and \$1. This represents a 300 per cent increase. But, newsboys are still losing money on bad customers. They still must wait for late papers without compensation. They still have to pay for damages they incur, even if in the line of duty, and they still are charged for misses. In reality, the newsboy is still suffering some of the same problems he and two and one half decades ago.

Perhaps to say the newsboy is the most exploited merchant in the confines of the United States is unfair. Perhaps the uncompensated time they spend can be chalked up as experience which can be valuable in later life. Perhaps the money they lose from customers who move out without paying can be looked upon as a lesson in finance. Maybe the 50 cents charge attached to their bill for missing Mrs. Jones, whose paper was really stolen, can show that "the customer is always right." What would the American public do without them.

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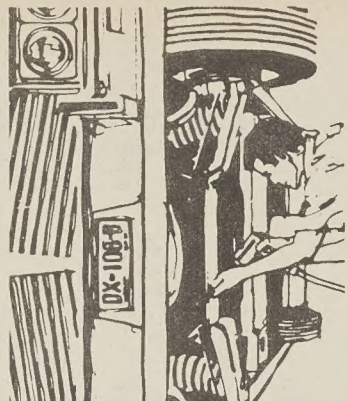


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# Sheep ranchers versus environmentalists

By PATTI HARRINGTON  
Universe Editorial Page Editor



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The controversial coyote, a symbol of the environmentalists and a scourge of the sheep-ranchers.

The howl of the coyote is a romantic sound of the old west to most Utahns. But to the sheep ranchers of the state it is a cry of destruction.

The coyote is swift in its attack. One rancher who has been in the business for over 20 years says he hasn't ever seen a coyote near his land and yet has lost several head per season to the animal.

The Predator's Survey—Western United States, conducted by the Department of Denver Research Center, claimed that for the intermountain area, the sheep population was down 35 per cent from 1972. The study, however, was in its second year. The area supervisor for the Animal Damage Program of the United States Fish and Wildlife Resources, Donald Hawthorne, felt that the population had "somewhat stabilized" in the last few years. However, he said the situation is different, depending upon the canyon studied.

Although the subject is debatable, the fact remains that some ranchers report losses of 500 to 600 head per season because of the coyote. Since their margin of profit is approximately 10 per cent, ranchers are anxious to do away with the coyote problem. What are sheep ranchers doing to combat the enemy coyote? All they can.

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According to Hawthorne, there has been only one human death from the coyote-getter. A man in Texas was accidentally shot and

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a middle ground

for the

predator-prey

situation."

treated by a rural doctor who did not know the situation. He died as the sodium cyanide penetrated his system, a death which could have easily been avoided.

Later, however, the coyote-getter was replaced with a M-44 gun. The mechanism and effect were the same, but rather than an explosive device, it fired spring action which helped prevent injury to humans. The spring action was not powerful enough to penetrate skin but fired into the coyote's mouth as he nibbles on the bait. The effectiveness was the same.

The Texan's death was a rare exception. "The M-44 virtually eliminated the hazard to

humans," Hawthorne said. But in February, 1972, a ban was placed upon the use of sodium cyanide and the organic salt, along with strychnine. By executive order, these pesticides were banned for use by government officials on federal land.

At the same time, in February, the Environmental Protection Agency, which requires that all pesticide chemicals be labeled and registered for interstate commerce with the agency, cancelled the registration for these three chemicals.

A new law, which prohibits intrastate use of the chemicals was made effective Oct. 1, of this year. Thus the EPA actions have quickly halted the general use of the pesticides on any land, public or private.

What then are the alternatives left to the sheep ranchers to help control the coyote situation?

Through an emergency clause in the 1972 executive order, some ranchers may use the M-44 on a very restricted basis, with length of time and the number of devices limited. Twenty Utah ranchers are using it today. Supervisor Hawthorne said. To be used however, the ranchers must have recorded a certain percentage of loss over a period of time. If the emergency conditions exist, the rancher must first try all mechanical control methods before he may use the M-44.

Thus, unless a real emergency exists, the rancher must resort to mechanical means. These include the steel leg traps, predator call, and aerial control, along with state-paid bounty hunters.

Steel leg traps are not nearly as effective nor as humane as pesticides. When a coyote is caught, oftentimes it will chew its leg off and escape, to live or die in misery where a pesticide would cause a quick death.

A predator call, or whistle, imitates the sound of a dying rabbit. The coyote, hearing the sound, knows his easy prey and will come running to the spot where the hunter is hiding. One hunter said of such an experience that the coyote was within four feet of where he stood after the call sounded.

Aerial control, shooting coyotes from a helicopter, has been partially effective. It can only be done, however, when the foliage is sparse. Sheep ranchers, according to Hawthorne, have voluntarily spent some \$70,000 out of their own pockets for aircraft repair work. They also pay an additional sheep tax according to the number of head they own. This, joined with state and federal funds, help pay for the state coyote control program, which hires hunters to kill the coyote.

In the spring, the lamb loss is the highest because the coyote is seeking food not only for itself but for its litter as well. Hunters are paid to take the dens of the coyote, very effective means of control. Locating dens, however, is somewhat difficult and there is a short time in which this can be done safely.

## Coyotes

"Definite opportunities" for summer employment on a sheep ranch.

Jobs are also available in hunting the coyote. Independent bounty hunters may be paid as much as \$25 per coyote or \$35 per coyote coat. The animal is not considered as game, according to Hawthorne and may therefore, be hunted year-round.

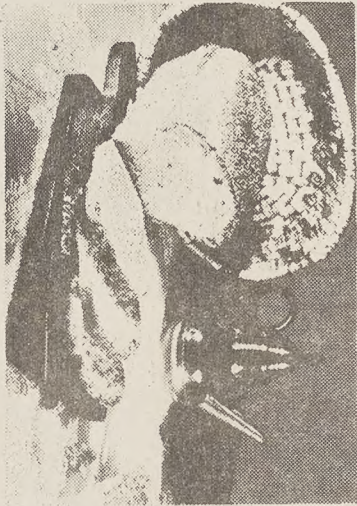
But what of the coyote's side of the story? Although outnumbered in "practical" arguments, there are many who argue that the coyote has his natural rights to live.

"The people we tend to call environmentalists (for lack of a better word) are the ones who are fighting for the coyote's survival," Hawthorne said. "These people feel like the public lands are theirs and

Others oppose the sheep rancher's demand on the basis that it is an unfair subsidy to the sheep industry. However, Hawthorne was quick to add that the memberships of both such groups are mainly in the eastern United States where "they are not as familiar with the problem."

The question continues, then. Do we eradicate the coyote at the expense of creating an unbalanced natural environment, or do we allow them to run, with only partially effective controls, at a great loss to area sheep ranchers?

As Supervisor Hawthorne said, "There is never a middle ground for the predator-prey situation." One must take either of the two sides. There is no half-way point toward effective control of the coyote.



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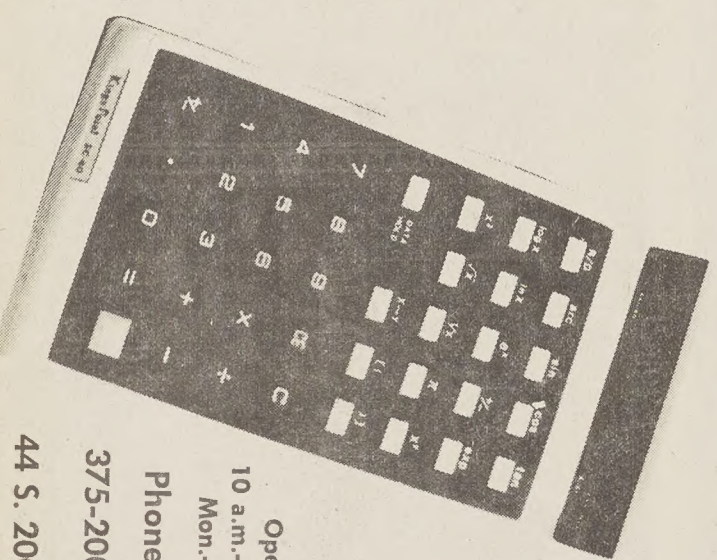
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